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State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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June 30, 2003

Sandy Nell 13171 South 3300 West Riverton, Utah 84065

Re: Acceptance of Amended Notice of Intention, Sandy Wash 4 Small Mining Operation,

S/001/063, Beaver County, Utah

Dear Mr. Nell:

Thank you for your amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on June 10, 2003. The amendment adds two additional areas (Area A & Area B) to your Sandy Wash Mine. The new areas are located in the SE1/4 NE1/4 and the W1/2 SW1/4 of Section 30, T29S, R15W, SLBM, Beaver County, Utah. The amendment is considered complete and no additional information is required by the Division at this time. You may now commence with your amended plan as outlined, provided you have received written acceptance from the BLM.

This amendment increases your Sandy Wash project to three areas. Please be advised that the total of all three areas combined, is limited to five acres of surface disturbance. Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five acre limitation (to a large mining status), please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. A large mining operation could take from six to twelve months, or longer, to reach approval.

Please be advised that you are bound by the same "Operation and Reclamation Practices", as outlined in your original notice. Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices." Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.



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The State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) may also require certain permits for your operation. For further information regarding their permitting requirements, you may contact them at (801) 538-6146; their mailing address is Utah State Department of Environmental Quality, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-0690.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson

Senior Reclamation Hydrologist

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cc: Ed Ginouves, BLM, Cedar City FO

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